

## DECLARATION

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and only inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### **IMAGE BACKGROUND REPLACEMENT METHOD**

the specification of which

- ☒ is attached hereto.  
was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as  
☐ Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_. (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)	<u>Priority Claimed</u>
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_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)	[ ] Yes [ ] No
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

_____ (Application Serial No.)	_____ (Filing Date)
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120, of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of

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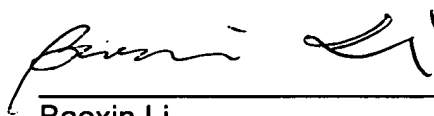
Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Application Ser. No.) (Filing Date) (Status) (patented, pending, abandoned)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

**Dated:**

**Jon K. Clemens**  
**President and Chief Executive Officer**

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, I, Baoxin Li, whose address is 5750 N.W. Pacific Rim Blvd., Camas, Washington 98607, am the inventor of an invention entitled

**IMAGE BACKGROUND REPLACEMENT METHOD**

for which on an even date herewith I executed an application for United States letters patent;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One (\$1.00) Dollar and other valuable consideration paid to us by Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc., a Washington corporation, whose business address is 5750 N.W. Pacific Rim Boulevard, Camas, Washington 98607, the receipt whereof is acknowledged, I do hereby assign unto the same Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc., the entire interest in said invention for the United States and all foreign countries and any letters patent to be issued therefor in the United States or any foreign country and any divisions, continuations, continuations-in-part, improvements, reissues or extensions that may be made or granted thereon.

AND the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such letters patent in accordance herewith. And I agree to execute further instruments proper for effectuating the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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- IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §3.73(b)

Applicant : Baoxin Li  
Application No. : \_\_\_\_\_ Filed: Concurrently herewith  
Title : IMAGE BACKGROUND REPLACEMENT METHOD  
(Assignee) : Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc., a Washington  
corporation  
(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership,  
university, government agency, etc.)

certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in  
the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application  
identified above.

OR

B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application  
identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

1. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
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☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a  
supplemental sheet.

☒ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are  
attached. (Where one or more of the documents is unrecorded.)

The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of  
the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's  
knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign  
this Certificate on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are  
true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be  
true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that  
willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or  
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and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the  
application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date : May 31, 2001  
Name : Timothy A. Long  
Title : Attorney for the Assignee (copy of Power of Attorney is attached)

Signature: Timothy A. Long

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